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In re Patent Application of: Kazuaki SUZUKI et al.

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For: A JOINT STRUCTURE USING A GUSSET

PLATE, A BUILDING USING THE JOINT

STRUCTURE AND A METHOD OF ASSEMBLING OR REINFORCING A

BUILDING

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MS AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated June 10, 2009, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amendments to the claims; and

Remarks.